

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

***ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD***

**Minutes of Open Meeting Held June 2, 2015 1:00pm**

**Board Members Present:** Chairperson Margaret E. Curran, Kevin Flynn

**Board Staff Present:** Todd Bianco, Coordinator; Patricia Lucarelli, Counsel;  
Matthew Stiles, Intern

**Chairperson Curran called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM in Hearing Room A of the Public Utilities Commission offices. A quorum of the Energy Facility Siting Board (Board) was present.**

**Docket No. SB-2015-01: Kilvert Street Substation Loop Line**

The Board considered Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Notice of Intent to Construct a Loop Line of Less Than 1,000 Feet (Kilvert Street Substation Loop Line) application. Counsel Lucarelli explained that the tapline construction was only eighty feet, and thus significantly less than the 1000 feet.

Chairperson Curran explained that the proposed work will have no impact at all, there was no public comment offered in the docket, that the project is not an alteration of a Major Energy Facility, and that no formal investigation is required referencing Board Rule 1.6(e) of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Board Member Flynn moved to approve the construction application; Chairperson Curran seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed by all Board Members present. **Vote 2-0.**

**Docket No. SB-2015-02: Chase Hill Substation Loop Line**

The Board considered Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Notice of Intent to Construct a Loop Line of Less Than 1,000 Feet (Chase Hill Substation Loop Line) application.

Chairperson Curran asked for clarification that the loop line in this docket was a 115 kV line and construction was on two supply lines less than 1,000 feet. Counsel Lucarelli confirmed Chairperson Curran's description of the line, and added that the project posed not impact on the environment, that the closest resident would not be impacted, and that the project doesn't fall within the definition of a Major Energy Facility.

Chairperson Curran asked for clarification that the substation and work was occurring in Hopkinton, Rhode Island, which was confirmed by Counsel Lucarelli. Chairperson Curran then agreed that the project was not a Major Energy Facility, that there were no other formal requirements, and that the expedited treatment of the filing was appropriate.

Board Member Flynn asked what would happen if the line had been fifty-one feet longer, thus longer than 1,000 feet. Counsel Lucarelli responded that pursuant to Rule 1.6(f) of the Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the project would be have triggered the ninety-day notice of intent to construct application and would require a formal hearing in Hopkinton. Board Member Flynn asked if a line over 6000 feet would not be eligible for an expedited proceeding. Counsel Lucarelli responded that such a project would require a full application and Board proceeding.

Board Member Flynn moved to approve the construction application; Chairperson Curran seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed by all Board Members present. **Vote 2-0.**

Board Member Flynn moved to adjourn. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed by all Board Members present. **Vote 2-0.**

**The open meeting adjourned at 1:08 PM.**